

House Resolution No. 488

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Stephen Alex Hinkle of Troop 261 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on April 24, 2005, at Saint Therese Church; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Stephen through the billet of Assistant Senior Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Stephen earned him the Arrow of Light, Light of Christ, C.O.P.E., and Ad Altare Dei awards, Firebuilder status in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, and thirty-two merit badges which are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Stephen applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including a Packard High Adventure, a trip to the Boundary Waters, and six summer camps at Camp Geiger; and

Whereas, Stephen completed an Eagle Project which consisted of placing plants, trees, bushes, flowers, and mulch around the entrance of the Saint Therese Child Care Center to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait which justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Stephen Hinkle during his ten-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Stephen Alex Hinkle, son of Alex and Becky Hinkle of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Susan C. Phillips
District No. 32

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 488, adopted February 14, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker